

BEFORE THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

In Re:

CARL HILDEBRAND

Complaint filed June 3, 2002

CONSENT ORDER

At the Ethics Commission's request, the County Attorney's Office investigated allegations that Respondent Carl Hildebrand violated the County's Ethics Law. On January 13, 2003, the County Attorney's Office forwarded its report to the Commission pursuant to Montgomery County, Md., Code § 19A-9(e) (1994).¹ Upon review of the complaint and the County Attorney's report, the Commission found reasonable cause to believe that the Respondent violated § 19A-13(a) of the ethics law. The Commission authorized the County Attorney's Office to determine whether Respondent would agree to the disposition of this matter on the basis of a specified consent order. After reviewing the County Attorney's report and an opportunity to consult with any attorney of his choosing, Respondent consents to the following order:

1. The Respondent:

a. waives his right to an adjudicatory hearing where the County would bear the burden of proving the charges against him;

b. admits that he violated § 19A-13(a) of the ethics law by accepting employment with Covanta of Montgomery, Inc., in a case, contract, or other specific matter within 10 years after significantly participating in the same matter as an employee of Montgomery County, Maryland;

c. agrees to the public disclosure of both the Consent Order and the investigation report submitted by the Office of the County Attorney; and,

¹ Unless indicated otherwise, all references are to the Montgomery County Code (1994), as amended.

d. agrees to accept a public reprimand for this Ethics violation; and

2. The Commission finds that the Respondent violated § 19A-13(a) by accepting employment with Covanta of Montgomery, Inc., in a case, contract, or other specific matters within 10 years after significantly participating in the same matters as an employee of Montgomery County, Maryland;

3. The Commission finds that the Respondent did not violate § 19A-13(b) by working for Covanta of Montgomery, Inc., because that entity does not contract with a County agency.

Elizabeth K. Kellar
Elizabeth K. Kellar, Chair
Montgomery County Ethics Commission

5/15/03
Date

AGREED:

Carl E. Hildebrand
Carl Hildebrand, Respondent

3-19-03
Date

cc: Jared S. Littmann, Associate County Attorney

*It is my understanding per the conversation with
Jared Littmann (Associate County Attorney) the week of
4-7-03 by signing this Consent Order this case
is now closed.*
Carl E. Hildebrand 4-19-03